

Listing of Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

1. (Currently amended) A convertible blanket comprising:

a blanket made of fabric material;

a blanket pocket, the blanket pocket being attached to the blanket and being of a size to receive the blanket for storage, the blanket pocket having a perimeter, along at least a portion of which it is joined to the blanket, and being provided with an opening for receiving the blanket;

a hood attached to the blanket, the hood being open at a face and including fabric to form a mask;

a hood storage pocket attached to the blanket and being of a size to receive the hood for storage; and

fastening means to secure the blanket around a user's shoulders;

wherein the blanket pocket is visually appealing in shape and color and conspicuously positioned such that it is the focal point of the blanket and wherein the blanket is easily stowed inside the pocket by stuffing the blanket into the pocket without requiring intricate folding of the blanket.

2. (original) A convertible blanket as claimed in claim 1, wherein the perimeter corresponds to the shape of a ball.

3. (Currently amended) A convertible blanket as claimed in claim 21, wherein the perimeter corresponds to the shape of a crown.

4. (Original) A convertible blanket as claimed in claim 1, wherein the perimeter corresponds to the shape of a heart shape.

5. (Original) A convertible blanket as claimed in claim 1, wherein the perimeter corresponds to the shape of an animal or head of an animal.

6. (Original) A convertible blanket as claimed in claim 1, wherein the perimeter corresponds to the shape of a fish.

7. (Original) A convertible blanket as claimed in claim 1, wherein the perimeter corresponds to the shape of a bird.

8. (Original) A convertible blanket as claimed in claim 1, wherein the perimeter corresponds to the shape of a cartoon character or the head of a cartoon character.

9. (Currently amended) A convertible blanket as claimed in claim 1, wherein the blanket pocket has an opening of greater than 20cm.

10. (Currently amended) A convertible blanket as claimed in claim 9, wherein the blanket pocket has an opening of less than 50cm.

11. (Currently amended) A convertible blanket as claimed in claim 1, wherein the blanket pocket has a first dimension of greater than 30cm.

12. (Currently amended) A convertible blanket as claimed in claim 11, wherein the first dimension corresponds to the width of the blanket pocket and extends in a direction substantially parallel to the opening of the pocket.

13. (Currently amended) A convertible blanket as claimed in claim 11, wherein the blanket pocket has a second dimension, perpendicular to the first, which is greater than 30cm.

14. (Currently amended) A convertible blanket as claimed in claim 13, wherein the second dimension corresponds to the depth of the blanket pocket and extends in a direction substantially perpendicular to the opening of the pocket.

15. (Original) A convertible blanket as claimed in claim 1, wherein the blanket is made from a man-made fleece material.

16. (Original) A convertible blanket as claimed in claim 1, wherein the material of the blanket pocket includes printing to take the appearance of an amusement object.

17. (Currently amended) A convertible blanket as claimed in claim 16, wherein the blanket pocket is intended to be turned inside out before receiving the blanket and it is an

internal surface of the blanket pocket which includes printing to take the appearance of an amusement object.

18. (Currently Amended) A convertible blanket as claimed in claim 16, wherein carrying straps are provided within the blanket pocket which become usable once the blanket pocket has been reversed and the blanket received within the blanket pocket.

19. (Original) A convertible blanket as claimed in claim 1, wherein a zip fastener is provided along a first edge of the blanket to join said first edge to a second edge of the blanket together.

20. (Currently amended) A convertible blanket comprising:

a blanket in the form of a substantially rectangular area of fabric having a first edge and a substantially parallel second edge;

a blanket pocket attached to the blanket, the blanket pocket being of a size for receiving the blanket, said blanket pocket being visually appealing in shape and color and conspicuously positioned such that it is the focal point of the blanket; and

a fastener provided along a first edge of the blanket for fastening said first edge to said second edge of the blanket, whereby the blanket is convertible for use in three modes of operation:

- 1) blanket being extended for use as a blanket;
- 2) blanket being received in the blanket pocket for use as a pillow or cushion; and

3) blanket being fastened along said first edge to said second edge for use as a sleeping bag;

a hood attached to the blanket, the hood being open at a face and including fabric to form a mask;

a hood storage pocket attached to the blanket and being of a size to receive the hood for storage; and

fastening means to secure the blanket around a user's shoulders;

wherein the blanket is easily stowed inside the blanket pocket by stuffing the blanket into the blanket pocket without intricate folding of the blanket.

21. (Currently amended) A convertible blanket as claimed in claim 20, wherein the blanket pocket is intended to be turned inside out before receiving the blanket such that the inside of the pocket becomes the outside surface when stuffed with the stowed blanket.

22. (Original) A convertible blanket as claimed in claim 20, wherein the blanket is intended for use as a large stadium blanket.

23. (Original) A convertible blanket as claimed in claim 20, wherein the blanket is intended for use as a bedspread cover.

24. (Original) A convertible blanket as claimed in claim 20, wherein the blanket is intended for use as a lap blanket.

25. (Currently amended) A convertible blanket as claimed in claim 20, wherein the blanket pocket corresponds to the shape of a football.

26. (Currently amended) A convertible blanket as claimed in claim 20, wherein the blanket pocket corresponds to the shape of a crown.

27. (Currently amended) A convertible blanket as claimed in claim 20, wherein the blanket pocket corresponds to the shape of a heart shape.

28. (Currently amended) A convertible blanket as claimed in claim 20, wherein the blanket pocket corresponds to the shape of an animal or head of an animal.

29. (Currently amended) A convertible blanket as claimed in claim 20, wherein the blanket pocket corresponds to the shape of a fish.

30. (Currently amended) A convertible blanket as claimed in claim 20, wherein the blanket pocket corresponds to the shape of a bird.

31. (Currently amended) A convertible blanket as claimed in claim 20, wherein the blanket pocket corresponds to the shape of a cartoon character or the head of a cartoon character.

32. (Previously amended) A convertible blanket as claimed in claim 1, wherein the hood is attached to an edge of the blanket to be worn over the user's head.

33. (Previously presented) A convertible blanket as claimed in claim 20, wherein the hood is attached to an edge of the blanket to be worn over the user's head.

34. (New) A convertible blanket as claimed in claim 1, wherein the mask is printed to take the appearance of a character.

35. (New) A convertible blanket as claimed in claim 20, wherein the mask is printed to take the appearance of a character.

36. (New) A convertible blanket comprising:

a blanket made of fabric material;

a blanket pocket, the blanket pocket being attached to the blanket and being of a size to receive the blanket for storage; and

a hood attached to the blanket for wearing over a user's head, the hood being open at a face and including fabric to form a mask;

wherein the blanket pocket is visually appealing in shape and color and the blanket is easily stowed inside the pocket by stuffing the blanket into the pocket without requiring intricate folding of the blanket.

37. (New) A convertible blanket as claimed in claim 36, including a hood storage pocket attached to the blanket and being of a size to receive the hood for storage.

38. (New) A convertible blanket as claimed in claim 36, including a fastening means to secure the blanket around a user's shoulders.

39. (New) A convertible blanket as claimed in claim 36, wherein the mask is printed to take the appearance of a character.

40. (New) A convertible blanket as claimed in claim 36, wherein the hood is printed to take the appearance of an object or character or portion thereof.

41. (New) A convertible blanket as claimed in claim 40, wherein the hood is configured with at least one feature corresponding to the appearance of the object or character.

42. (New) A convertible blanket comprising:

a blanket in the form of a substantially rectangular area of fabric having a first edge and a substantially parallel second edge, and a first side and an opposite second side;

a first blanket pocket attached to the first side of the blanket, the first blanket pocket being of a size for receiving the blanket, said first blanket pocket being visually appealing in shape and color;

a second blanket pocket attached to the second side of the blanket, and

a fastener provided along a first edge of the blanket for fastening said first edge to said second edge of the blanket, whereby the blanket is convertible for use in three modes of operation:

- 1) blanket being extended for use as a blanket;

2) blanket being received in the first blanket pocket for use as a pillow or cushion;

and

3) blanket being fastened along said first edge to said second edge for use as a sleeping bag;

wherein the blanket is easily stowed inside the first blanket pocket by stuffing the blanket into the first blanket pocket without intricate folding of the blanket and wherein the second blanket pocket is located such that when the blanket is fastened along said first edge to said second edge the second blanket pocket is disposed within the sleeping bag.

43. (New) A convertible blanket as claimed in claim 42, wherein the second blanket pocket is of a size for receiving the blanket, said second blanket pocket being visually appealing in shape and color, the shape of said second blanket pocket being different than the shape of said first blanket pocket, wherein the blanket is easily stowed inside the first or second blanket pocket by stuffing the blanket into the first or second blanket pocket without intricate folding of the blanket.

44. (New) A convertible blanket as claimed in claim 43, wherein both the first and second blanket pockets are intended to be turned inside out before receiving the blanket and an internal surface of each blanket pocket includes printing to take on the appearance of an amusement object, and wherein the amusement object printed on the internal surface of the first blanket pocket is different than the amusement object printed on the internal surface of the second blanket pocket.

45. (New) A convertible blanket as claimed in claim 42, including a hood attached to the blanket for wearing over a user's head, the hood being open at a face and including fabric to form a mask.